

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Applicant | : | Daisuke ITOH, et al. |
| App. No | : | 10/595,440 |
| Filed | : | April 19, 2006 |
| For | : | FINE METAL PARTICLES AND FINE METAL OXIDE PARTICLES IN DRY POWDER FORM, AND USE THEREOF |
| Examiner | : | Weiping Zhu |
| Art Unit | : | 1793 |
| Conf No. | : | 9670 |

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated June 30, 2009, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-captioned application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 22 of this paper.